

MUST BE GIVEN BETTER ROADS

Rural Routes Around Mt. Airy Needs Them

(Special to News and Observer.)

Mount Airy, N. C., May 15.—The city school committee and superintendent have secured D. P. Stern, of Greensboro, to deliver the annual address before the graded school at commencement next week.

It comes straight that if the many rural free delivery routes are to be kept up, the people will be compelled to make better roads around Mount Airy. The Postoffice Department has no desire to curtail the service in this section of the State, but, at the same time, the carriers will not be required to supply mail to a people who will not keep the roads in good repair. Many changes will be made in R. F. D. service right away if the roads are not looked after and kept up all the time. This is a hint to those who are benefited—they will be to blame if they are cut off.

Prof. J. W. Bennett has closed the branch of the Peele Business College in this city. The patronage was not sufficient to justify the management to continue the Mount Airy branch.

Rev. Dr. Edward T. Carter, a native of Scotland, but who now lives in Virginia, will fill the pulpit at the Baptist church in this city Sunday next at 3 p. m. and at night. He will address the Sunday School at 9.30 a. m.

Mrs. J. G. Banner, of Greensboro, will spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Gilmer, of this city.

Frank Bryant, who travels for a Roanoke, Va., notion house, spent last night in the city. His family reside near Dobson, Surry county, and he was on his way home. He says business is not good, but he manages to transact enough to pay his employers and keep his salary from being cut.

If the friends of prohibition will do their whole duty in Surry county and in every other county in North Carolina we will shortly have record like this: "Fifty prohibition counties in Kansas did not furnish a single criminal for the penitentiary in that State during the year 1907."

The Sparger Orchard Company, one of the big enterprises of this country, is importing and planting apple trees from Arkansas. In five or six years this orchard will be one of the best-paying pieces of property in this country.

ATLANTIC FLEET EXERCISE

PROGRAM FOR THE SUMMER IS MADE PUBLIC BY THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., May 15.—The program of the summer exercises of the Atlantic Fleet was made public at the Navy Department today. The tentative schedule calls for the assembling of the 16 battleships in Hampton Roads as soon after June 15 as practicable.

On June 18th the fleet, commanded by Rear-Admiral Seaton Schroeder, will sail for the Southern drill grounds, south of the entrance to Chesapeake Bay for the summer maneuvers, remaining until July 2, with the exception of five days spent in coaling and taking on provisions. The ships will disperse on July 2 and go to various ports on the coast. They will reassemble at Provincetown, Mass., on July 10. Maneuvers and drills of the entire fleet and the torpedo boats will be held in that vicinity with Provincetown for headquarters. The practice work of the fleet will continue there until the vessels sail for Hampton Roads, where they will arrive August 9th.

All the ships will coal there and August 14 proceed to the Southern drill grounds where the record target practice of the vessels of the fleet will begin on August 16 and continue until each of the vessels have finished their work in this line. Battle target practice will then begin.

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URGENT PLEA FOR TOBACCO DUTY

Bright Tobacco Men Ask Senate to Act

By THOS. J. PENCE.

Washington, D. C., May 15.—H. O. Kerns and S. C. Adams, of Virginia, president and vice-president, respectively, of The Bright Tobacco Growers Association of Virginia and North Carolina, are here for the purpose of urging the Senate to place a seventy-five cent duty on stemmed and a one dollar duty on unstemmed tobacco. The House had these duties in the Payne bill, and it is charged that the Senate knocked them out at the behest of the tobacco trust.

Such duties as those proposed will put a crimp in the importations of Turkish tobacco, which is being used in the manufacture of cigarettes to the detriment of bright tobacco. Turkey does not permit the importation of a pound of our tobacco, and President Kern thinks the levy of a duty on importation of Turkish tobacco will be the best thing in the world for the growers of bright tobacco.

The construction of the new Clarendon Steel bridge at Fayetteville was stopped by the Government engineer at Wilmington, who held that the design did not comply with war department regulations.

At the instance of Senator Overman the chief engineers of the army today ordered resumption of the work on the bridge.

In the Senate today Senator Simmons spoke for the reduction of the duty on razors, which he showed is almost indefensible. The discussion was not without its humor. Senator Smith, of Michigan, wanted to know if the reduction was desired for social or domestic purposes.

Senator Simmons replied "both," whereupon Senator Bailey observed that a reduction on this article would "certainly be in the interest of the Republican party." Then it was that Senator Simmons, in reply to an inquiry by Senator Aldrich, said that it was his understanding that most of the members of the Republican party in his section of North Carolina possessed a razor, and that any reduction in the tariff duty would benefit them.

Great Racing at Jamestown.

(By the Associated Press.)

Norfolk, Va., May 15.—Norfolk turned out en masse at the Jamestown track this afternoon. Seven knights of the high stools were kept busy attending to the wants of the public. The stellar attraction of the day, the handicap at 6 furlongs, resulted in a splendid contest. King Cobalt opened favorite at even money, but the weight of money for Takahira forced the Dunlop horses price down to 7 to 10, while the Brownleigh park candidate receded to 8 to 5 at the close. The King ran a cracking race. Away in the middle of the bunch, and seemingly short, he was up in time to win by a length.

Death of Mrs. L. K. Peacock.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Roper, N. C., May 15.—Mrs. L. K. Peacock, wife of L. J. Peacock, a prominent business man of this place, died rather suddenly yesterday morning. Mrs. Peacock leaves a husband and five daughters. She will be buried from the Baptist church at ten-thirty tomorrow.

SAY SHE TRIED TO KILL HUSBAND

Sensational Case in The Littleton Court

(Special to News and Observer.)

Littleton, N. C., May 15.—Several days ago quite a sensation was created here by the report that Mrs. Daniel, the young wife of R. K. Daniel, a well known young man of this place, had endeavored to kill her husband, it is alleged firing five shots at him. Friends, upon learning of the trouble, which is said to have been caused by his ill-treatment of her, intervened, and Rev. Francis Joyner, rector of St. Ann's Episcopal church, swore out a warrant against Daniel, charging him with whipping her. The case came up some days ago but there was no trial since Mrs. Daniel had mysteriously disappeared.

Today in retaliation Daniel had a warrant issued against Rev. Mr. Joyner, charging him with perjury and the trial is set for Saturday morning before Justice M. E. Newman.

Mrs. Daniel is from Hot Springs, Ark., where she met Daniel sometime ago, she being it is understood, a trained nurse at the time. They were married there, their marriage being quite sensational. For the past few months Daniel has been in business here where his family are well known and prominent, but for sometime there has been trouble between the two. She ran away from him once catching the noon train after it had started moving just ahead of her husband, who caught the rear of the train and picking her up when the train reached Norlina transferred her to a northbound train after quite a struggle. It is alleged that he tied and locked her up each time that it was necessary for him to leave the house.

PROTEST AGAINST JUDGE CONNOR

Marion Butler and Mrs. P. D. B. Freeman Object

BY THOMAS J. PENCE.

Washington, May 15.—Protests against the confirmation of the nomination of Judge H. G. Connor reached the Senate Judiciary committee today. One of these protests is signed by "Mrs. Pattie D. B. Freeman," and the other by Marion Butler.

It is said that the protest from Butler is the one filed with the President in opposition to the appointment of Justice Connor, and that it was not placed before the Senate committee by the ex-Populist Senator, but that it went from the White House along with all the other papers bearing on the judicial contest.

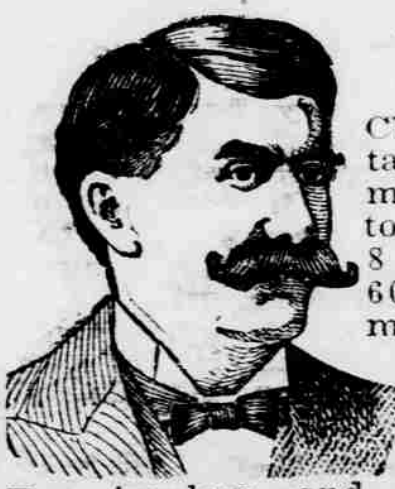
In addition to these, there is said to be protests before the Senate committee from several gaugers, whose names have not been disclosed.

The only opposition that can be offered to Judge Connor is that he is a Democrat. Those Republicans who are displeased with the appointment of Justice Connor are not likely to get much consolation from the Senate. That body promptly confirmed the nomination of Secretary of War Dickinson, who announced prior to his appointment that he was a Democrat and that he did not vote for Taft in the November election.

New R. F. D. Carriers.

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TO NAME CONNOR'S SUCCESSOR EARLY

Appointment Upon Day of Resignation

THIRTEEN ARE ENDORSED

Upon the Day the Senate Confirms the Appointment of Associate Justice Connor His Resignation from the Supreme Court Bench Will Be Submitted to the Governor, and Upon the Same Day His Successor Will Be Named.

It was stated yesterday that the Senate would this week confirm the appointment of Associate Justice H. G. Connor to the bench of the United States court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. Governor Kitchin will not delay the appointment of Justice Connor's successor as long as President Taft did in the appointment of the late Judge Purnell's successor. In fact, the resignation of Justice Connor will be tendered upon the day that his appointment is confirmed, and upon the same day Governor Kitchin will announce his appointment of a new Associate Justice, even if he has to throw coins to decide it, he said yesterday.

Thirteen gentlemen, six of whom are Superior Court judges, two ex-judges and five lawyers, who have not served on the bench, have been recommended to Governor Kitchin for appointment, all being highly endorsed. These are: Judges Allen, Peebles, Ward, Guion, Lyon, and Biggs; ex-Judges A. C. Avery and R. W. Winston, and Messrs. N. Y. Gulley, of Wake Forest; J. S. Manning, of Durham; Mayor Charles M. Stedman, of Greensboro; A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro; and E. L. Travis, of Halifax.

Besides the above names, which include all who have been endorsed by letter, Governor Kitchin has had no small number of distinguished lawyers recommended to him orally for the appointment.

The largest number of endorsements have been received by the Governor from the friends of Mr. Manning and Judge Allen, and they have been received from every section of the State.

JONES CASE DELAYED

Union, S. C., May 15.—W. T. Jones, who last February was sentenced to life imprisonment in the State penitentiary for the murder of his wife last July, will probably not have his hearing at the spring term of the Supreme Court, asking for a new trial as anticipated.

Next Monday is the date set for the hearing of the case of appeal from this circuit, and five days is devoted to this business, but because the printed case has not yet been filed with the attorneys for the prosecution, it is believed that the hearing of the appeal will be postponed until the fall term next November. This will give Jones, who is a wealthy planter, all the summer to get his affairs in the best possible shape.

Jones, who has been in jail here since last July, receives many callers and transacts a large volume of business. Since his trial he has regained his customary health, which almost failed him just after the conclusion of the hearing of his case by the Circuit Court.